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# Methodology

This project will follow the CRISP\_DM methodology:

Business understanding
Data Understanding
Data preparation
Modeling
Evaluation
Deployment

# 1. Business Understanding

# 1.1 Project Overview

Loan defaults represent a substantial risk to financial institutions, leading to potential revenue loss and liquidity issues. Using historical loan data we can be able to formulate machine learning models that can be able to predict the likelihood of borrowers defaulting. This will enables lenders to make data-driven decisions, optimizing risk management and improving profitability.

#### 1.2 Business Problem

Lender's struggle with assessing default risks through using traditional methods, which often fail to provide crucial information of the borrower. That why this project aims to address this challenge by leveraging machine learning techniques which will predict loan defaults to minimize financial risk and improve loan approval processes.

# 1.3 Project Objectives

- Develop a machine learning solution to predict whether a borrower will default on their loan based on historical and demographic data.
- Identify the key factors influencing loan defaults.
- Compare the performance of different machine learning models (Logistic Regression, Decision Tree, and Random Forest).
- Provide actionable insights to financial institutions to mitigate default risks.

# 2. Data Understanding

#### 2.1 Data Source

This dataset contains information about customer loans, including customer demographics, loan details, and default status. The dataset can be used for various data analysis and machine

learning tasks, such as predicting loan default risk. The dataset consists of the following columns. download dataset Here

## 2.2 Data Description

- customer\_id: Unique identifier for each customer
- customer\_age: Age of the customer
- customer\_income: Annual income of the customer
- home\_ownership: Home ownership status (e.g., RENT, OWN, MORTGAGE)
- employment\_duration: Duration of employment in months
- loan\_intent: Purpose of the loan (e.g., PERSONAL, EDUCATION, MEDICAL, VENTURE)
- loan\_grade: Grade assigned to the loan
- loan\_amnt: Loan amount requested
- loan\_int\_rate: Interest rate of the loan
- term\_years: Loan term in years
- historical\_default: Indicates if the customer has a history of default (Y/N)
- cred\_hist\_length: Length of the customer's credit history in years
- Current\_loan\_status: Current status of the loan (DEFAULT, NO DEFAULT)

# 3. Data Prepration

## 3.1 Exploratory Data Analysis

```
# import relevant libraries
import csv
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
# Filtering future warnings
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
# loading dataset
data = pd.read csv("LoanDataset - LoansDatasest.csv")
#Preview the first 5 rows
data.head()
   customer id customer age customer income home ownership
0
           1.0
                           22
                                        59000
                                                         RENT
1
           2.0
                           21
                                         9600
                                                          OWN
2
                           25
           3.0
                                         9600
                                                     MORTGAGE
3
           4.0
                           23
                                        65500
                                                         RENT
4
           5.0
                           24
                                        54400
                                                         RENT
   employment duration loan intent loan grade
                                                 loan amnt
```

```
loan int rate \
                           PERSONAL
                                             C £35,000.00
                 123.0
16.02
                   5.0
1
                         EDUCATION
                                                 £1,000.00
11.14
                   1.0
                           MEDICAL
                                             В
                                                 £5,500.00
12.87
                   4.0
                           MEDICAL
                                                £35,000.00
15.23
                   8.0
                           MEDICAL
                                                £35,000.00
14.27
   term years historical default cred hist length Current loan status
0
           10
                                Υ
                                                  3
                                                                 DEFAULT
1
                              NaN
                                                              NO DEFAULT
2
                                N
                                                                 DEFAULT
3
           10
                                N
                                                                 DEFAULT
           10
                                Υ
                                                                 DEFAULT
#checking some data background
print(f"The shape of the data is {data.shape}")
The shape of the data is (32586, 13)
display(data.columns)
# renaming columns
data.rename(columns={'Current loan status':'default'}, inplace=True)
# preview
display(data.columns)
Index(['customer id', 'customer age', 'customer income',
'home ownership',
       'employment duration', 'loan intent', 'loan grade',
'loan amnt',
       'loan int rate', 'term years', 'historical default',
'cred hist length',
       'Current loan status'],
      dtype='object')
Index(['customer_id', 'customer_age', 'customer_income',
'home ownership',
       'employment duration', 'loan intent', 'loan grade',
'loan amnt',
       'loan int rate', 'term years', 'historical default',
'cred hist length',
```

```
'default'],
      dtype='object')
#checking the info
data.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 32586 entries, 0 to 32585
Data columns (total 13 columns):
#
     Column
                          Non-Null Count
                                           Dtype
- - -
     -----
 0
     customer id
                          32583 non-null
                                           float64
     customer age
 1
                          32586 non-null
                                          int64
 2
     customer income
                          32586 non-null
                                          object
 3
     home ownership
                          32586 non-null
                                          object
 4
     employment duration 31691 non-null float64
 5
     loan intent
                          32586 non-null object
 6
     loan_grade
                          32586 non-null
                                          object
 7
                          32585 non-null
     loan amnt
                                           object
 8
     loan int rate
                          29470 non-null
                                           float64
 9
     term years
                          32586 non-null
                                           int64
 10
    historical default
                          11849 non-null
                                          object
 11
     cred hist length
                          32586 non-null
                                          int64
12
     default
                          32582 non-null
                                          object
dtypes: float64(3), int64(3), object(7)
memory usage: 3.2+ MB
# Converting the columns from object to num dtype
data['customer income'] = pd.to numeric(data['customer income'],
errors='coerce')
data['loan amnt'] = pd.to numeric(data['loan amnt'], errors='coerce')
# checking the datatypes
data.dtypes
customer id
                       float64
customer age
                         int64
customer_income
                       float64
                        object
home ownership
employment duration
                       float64
loan intent
                        object
loan grade
                        object
loan_amnt
                       float64
loan int rate
                       float64
term years
                         int64
historical default
                        object
cred hist length
                         int64
default
                        object
dtype: object
```

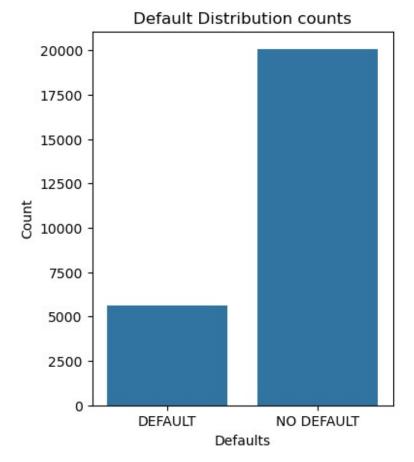
```
# Checking the distributionstatiscs of our dataset
data.describe()
        customer id
                      customer age customer income
employment duration
                      32586.000000
count 32583.000000
                                         3.258200e+04
31691.000000
       16289.497806
                         27.732769
                                         6.606723e+04
mean
4.790161
        9405.919628
                           6.360528
                                         6.197290e+04
std
4.142746
           1.000000
                          3.000000
                                         4.000000e+03
min
0.000000
25%
        8144.500000
                         23.000000
                                         3.850000e+04
2.000000
                         26,000000
                                         5.500000e+04
50%
       16288.000000
4.000000
75%
                                         7.920000e+04
       24433.500000
                         30.000000
7.000000
       32581.000000
                        144.000000
                                         6.000000e+06
max
123,000000
       loan amnt
                   loan int rate
                                     term years
                                                  cred hist length
                    294\overline{7}0.0\overline{0}0000
                                   32586.\overline{0}00000
                                                       32586.000000
              0.0
count
             NaN
                       11.011553
                                       4.761738
                                                           5.804026
mean
             NaN
                        3.240440
                                        2.471107
                                                           4.055078
std
                        5.420000
min
             NaN
                                        1.000000
                                                           2,000000
25%
             NaN
                        7.900000
                                       3.000000
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50%
             NaN
                       10.990000
                                       4.000000
                                                           4.000000
75%
             NaN
                       13.470000
                                       7.000000
                                                           8.000000
                                      10.000000
                       23.220000
                                                          30.000000
              NaN
max
```

# 3.2 Data Preprocessing

- 1. Dropping irrelevant columns
- 2. Handle Missing values
- 3. check for Duplicates and drop them
- 4. check for Outliers

```
'cred hist length',
       'default'],
      dtype='object')
#checking for missing values
display(data.isnull().sum())
print(f"The dataset has {data.isnull().sum().sum()} missing values")
                       0
customer age
customer income
                       4
home ownership
                       0
loan intent
                       0
loan grade
                       0
                    3116
loan int rate
term_years
cred hist length
                       0
default
                       4
dtype: int64
The dataset has 3124 missing values
# dropping missing values
data.dropna(inplace=True)
# Preview if the missing values have been dropped
print(f"The dataset has {data.isnull().sum().sum()} missing values")
The dataset has 0 missing values
# Checking for duplicates
display(data.duplicated().sum())
print(f"The dataset has {data.duplicated().sum().sum()} duplicated
rows")
199
The dataset has 199 duplicated rows
# dropping duplicates
data.drop_duplicates(inplace=True)
#preview if duplicates have been dropped
print(f"The dataset has {data.duplicated().sum().sum()} duplicated
rows")
The dataset has 0 duplicated rows
# Checking and dropping outliers
# defining a function
def remove outliers(data, columns):
    for col in columns:
        Q1 = data[col].quantile(0.25)
```

```
03 = data[col].quantile(0.75)
        IQR = 03 - 01
        lower bound = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
        upper bound = 03 + 1.5 * IOR
        data = data[(data[col] >= lower bound) & (data[col] <=</pre>
upper bound)]
    return data
# assign numerical columns a variablename
num_col = ['customer_age', 'customer_income', 'loan_int_rate',
'term years', 'cred hist length']
# Remove outliers
loan data = remove outliers(data, num col)
#preview the shape
print(f"Previously the shape of the dataset was {data.shape}, the new
shape after removing outlier values is {loan data.shape}")
Previously the shape of the dataset was (29265, 9), the new shape
after removing outlier values is (25703, 9)
# checking the distribution of the target variable
print(f"Checking how the Default (Target variable)is distributed
{loan data['default'].value counts()}")
Checking how the Default (Target variable) is distributed default
NO DEFAULT
              20072
               5631
DEFAULT
Name: count, dtype: int64
The distribution of the Default target variable indicates that 20072
instances
where customer did not default on the loan and 5631 instances where
the customer
defaulted on the loan. below is a visualization of defaults.
# countplot of the countplot features
plt.figure(figsize=(4, 5))
sns.countplot(data=loan data, x='default')
plt.title('Default Distribution counts')
plt.xlabel('Defaults')
plt.ylabel('Count')
plt.show()
```



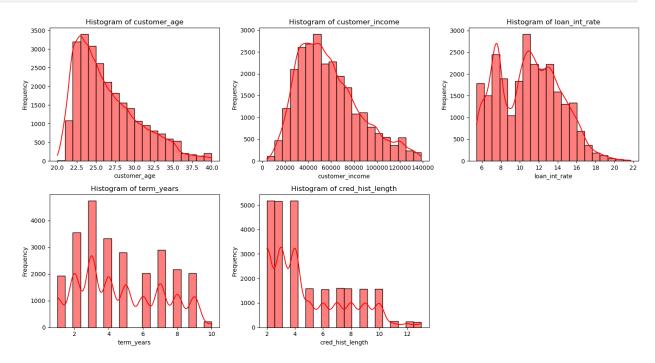
```
# Checking the final info dataset
loan data.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Index: 25703 entries, 0 to 32299
Data columns (total 9 columns):
#
     Column
                       Non-Null Count
                                        Dtype
- - -
 0
     customer_age
                       25703 non-null
                                        int64
     customer income
1
                       25703 non-null
                                        float64
 2
     home ownership
                       25703 non-null
                                        object
3
     loan_intent
                       25703 non-null
                                        object
4
     loan_grade
                       25703 non-null
                                        object
 5
     loan_int_rate
                       25703 non-null
                                        float64
 6
     term_years
                       25703 non-null
                                        int64
7
     cred hist length
                       25703 non-null
                                        int64
8
                       25703 non-null
     default
                                        object
dtypes: float64(2), int64(3), object(4)
memory usage: 2.0+ MB
```

# 3.3 Univariate Analysis

splitting the data to and assigning them variable names that is numerical column and categorical columns

```
# Splitting data into numberic and categorical features
#Numeric colums
num col = loan data.select dtypes(include=['int64', 'float64'])
display(num col.columns)
#CATEGORICAL COLUMNS
categ_col = loan_data.select_dtypes(include=['object', 'bool'])
display(categ col.columns)
Index(['customer age', 'customer income', 'loan int rate',
'term years',
       'cred hist length'],
      dtype='object')
Index(['home_ownership', 'loan_intent', 'loan_grade', 'default'],
dtype='object')
Creating a grid of histograms and Kernel Density Estimations (KDEs)
for each numeric column
this will help to better understand the distribution and
characteristics of the data
before moving on to further analysis or modeling
# map number of plots in each row
subplots per row = 3
num subplots = num col.shape[1]
num rows = (num subplots + subplots per row - 1) // subplots per row
# plotting the subplots
fig, axes = plt.subplots(num rows, subplots per row, figsize=(15, 4 *
num rows))
axes = axes.flatten()
# Plotting histograms with KDE together
for i, column in enumerate(num col.columns):
    sns.histplot(num col[column], bins=20, kde=True, ax=axes[i],
color='red')
    axes[i].set title(f'Histogram of {column}')
    axes[i].set xlabel(column)
    axes[i].set ylabel('Frequency')
#Removes excess subplots
for j in range(i + 1, len(axes)):
    fig.delaxes(axes[j])
```

# plt.tight\_layout() plt.show()

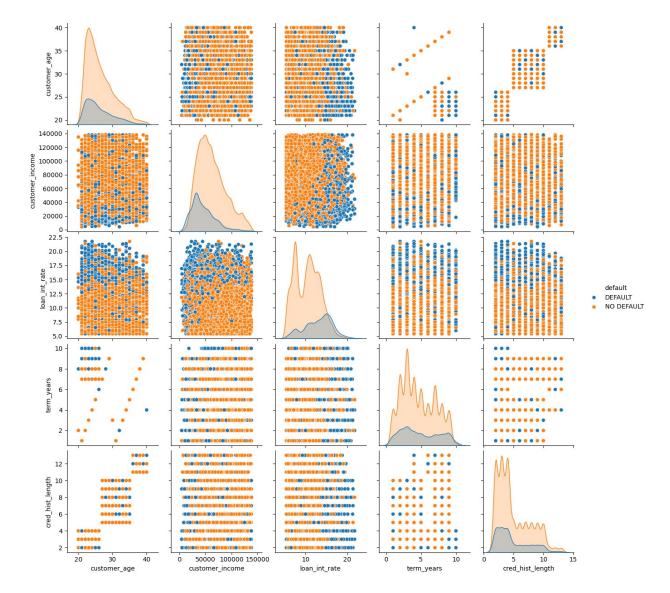


#### 3.3.1 Graph summary

- Customer age is right-skewed meaning that most customers are concentrated in the age range of 20-40
- Customer income is right-skewed meaning that most customers fall into the lower income bracket
- Loan interest rate is right-skewed meaning that the data is concentrated in the lower interest rate range
- Term years is multimodal this shows that certain loan durations, potentially indicating common loan terms.
- Credit history length is right-skewed meaning that most customers have a shorter credit history length

# 3.4 Bivariate Analysis

```
# Create a pairplot of the data
sns.pairplot(loan_data, hue='default')
# Show the plot
plt.show()
```



#### 3.4.1 Bivariate analysis

- Customer income and loan interest rate shows a weak negative correlation exists, suggesting higher earners might secure slightly lower interest rates.
- Customer income and credit history length No clear correlation is visible.
- Loan interest rate and credit history length has Some potential for a negative correlation, implying longer credit history might lead to lower rates.

# 3.5 Multivariate analysis

customer_income 0.092801	0.100016	1.000000	-0.034865	
loan_int_rate 0.042388	0.008285	-0.034865	1.000000	
term_years 1.000000	0.201639	0.092801	0.042388	
cred_hist_length 0.247614	0.789280	0.064001	0.012773	
<pre>customer_age customer_income loan_int_rate term_years cred_hist_length</pre>	cred_hist_length 0.789280 0.064001 0.012773 0.247614 1.000000			

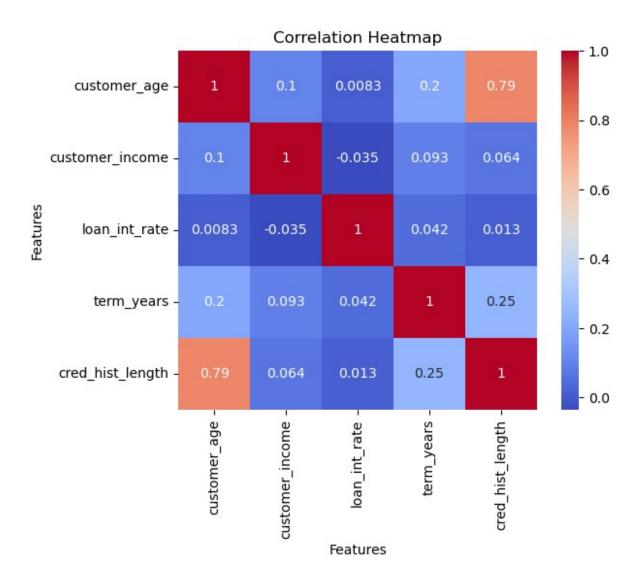
## 3.5.1 Correlation matrix analyis

- Strong Positive Correlation in customer\_age and cred\_hist\_length have a strong positive correlation (0.79). This suggests that older customers tend to have longer credit histories.
- Weak Positive Correlation in customer\_age and term\_years have a weak positive correlation and customer\_income and term\_years have a weak positive correlation

```
sns.heatmap(num_col.corr(), annot=True, cmap='coolwarm', square=True)

# Customize the plot (optional)
plt.title('Correlation Heatmap')
plt.xlabel('Features')
plt.ylabel('Features')

# Show the plot
plt.show()
```



# 4. Modelling

```
# import modelling libraries
import sklearn
from sklearn.model_selection import
train_test_split,cross_val_score,GridSearchCV
from imblearn.over_sampling import SMOTE, SMOTENC
from sklearn.metrics import
accuracy_score,fl_score,recall_score,precision_score,confusion_matrix,
roc_curve,roc_auc_score,classification_report,ConfusionMatrixDisplay
from scipy import stats
import statsmodels.api as sm
from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import
variance_inflation_factor
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
```

```
from sklearn.model_selection import RandomizedSearchCV
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
```

#### 4.1 Normalizing numerical data

This code will help in rescaling the numerical data using the StandardScaler making the data have a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1

Using one hot enconding to convert categorical data to numerical data

```
# Normaizing data
# Numerical columns
num col = loan data.select dtypes(include= ["int64", "float"]).columns
# create an instance of the scaler
scaler = StandardScaler()
# transforming the data
loan data[num col] = scaler.fit transform(loan data[num col])
# Encoding the target variable 'default'
label encoder = LabelEncoder()
loan data['default'] =
label encoder.fit transform(loan data['default'])
# preview unique values in the dataset
loan data["default"].nunique()
2
# 1. Separate the target variable (Assuming 'default' is your target
column)
y = loan data['default'] # Target variable
X = loan data.drop('default', axis=1) # Drop the target column from
the features
# 2. Apply one-hot encoding to the categorical columns (excluding the
target variable)
categ col = X.select dtypes(include=["object", "bool"]).columns
X = pd.get dummies(X, columns=categ col, drop first=True)
# 3. Rejoin the target variable back to the dataset (if needed)
loan data1 = X.copy()
loan_data1['default'] = y # Adding the target variable back to the
features (if needed)
# Display the first five rows to check the result
loan data1.head()
```

customer			_income	loan_	_int_ra	ate	term_years		
cred_hist_l 0 -1.06			.031980		1.5558	823	2.165582		-
0.694005 1 -1.31	1882	-1	.796220		0.045	197	-1.512413		-
1.058069 2 -0.32	8833	-1	.796220		0.580	726	0.122252		-
0.694005	0050	0	272522			25	2 165502		
3 -0.82 1.058069	0358	Θ	.272533		1.3112	2/5	2.165582		-
4 -0.57 0.329942	4595	- Θ	.138257		1.014	103	2.165582		-
home_own 0 1 2 3 4	ership <sub>-</sub>	OTHER False False False False False	home_ow	 	o_OWN False True False False	home		_RENT True False False True True	\
loan_int			loan_i	ntent_H	HOMEIM	PROVE	EMENT		
loan_intent 0	_MEDICA	AL \ False				F	alse		
False									
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2		False				F	alse		
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True		Tatse				·	atse		
4		False				F	alse		
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loan_grade_ 0	C \	True			False		False		
True									
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False 3		False			False		True		
False		ratse			Tatse		True		
4		False			False		True		
False									
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J	_	- 1	
5 raise raise 0	3	False	False
4 False False 0	4	False	False

#### 4.2 Preprocessing the data

For uniformity in my models i will use a test size of 30% and random\_state of 42

```
# Assign X and y
X = loan data1.drop('default', axis=1)
y = loan data1['default']
# train test split
X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(X,y, test_size=0.3,
random state=42)
# dealng with class imabalance
display(loan data1["default"].value counts())
default
1
     20072
0
      5631
Name: count, dtype: int64
# using smote to deal with target data imbalance issues
print("using smote to balance the classes")
smote = SMOTE(random state=42)
X train resample, y train resample = smote.fit resample(X train,
y train)
y train resample.value counts()
using smote to balance the classes
default
     14035
1
     14035
Name: count, dtype: int64
```

#### 4.3 Models to be used for analysis

- Logistic regression model
- Decision tree model
- Random forest model

#### 4.3.1 Logistic regression Model

Logistic regression is a technique used for binary classification problems. Its objective is to predict the likelihood that a given instance belongs to a particular class based on its independent variables

```
# instaniate logistic regression model
logreg = LogisticRegression(random_state=42, max_iter=1000)
# Fit the model
```

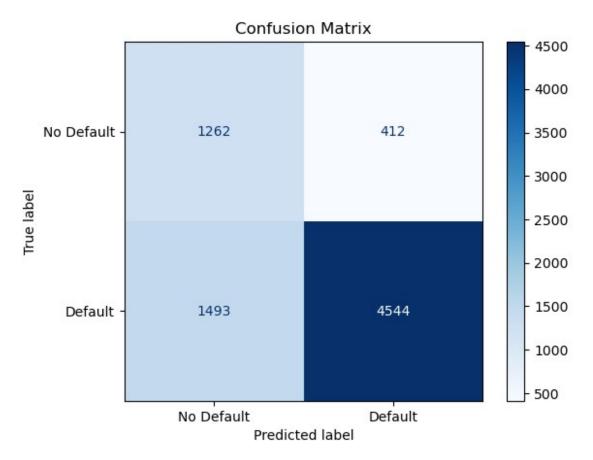
```
logreg.fit(X_train_resample, y_train_resample)
# Make predictions
y_pred = logreg.predict(X_test)

# Evaluate the model
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)
print(f'Accuracy: {accuracy:.2f}')

Accuracy: 0.75

# plot the confusion matrix
conf_matrix = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
disp = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=conf_matrix,
display_labels=['No Default', 'Default'])
disp.plot(cmap=plt.cm.Blues)

# Display the plot
plt.title('Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()
```



```
# display the classification report
class_report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred)
print(f'Classification Report:\n{class_report}')
```

```
Classification Report:
                            recall f1-score
              precision
                                               support
                              0.75
                                        0.57
                                                   1674
                   0.46
           1
                   0.92
                              0.75
                                                   6037
                                        0.83
                                        0.75
                                                   7711
    accuracy
                   0.69
                              0.75
                                        0.70
                                                   7711
   macro avq
weighted avg
                   0.82
                              0.75
                                        0.77
                                                   7711
# Calculate accuracy
accuracy = accuracy score(y test, y pred)
# Calculate precision
precision = precision score(y test, y pred)
# Calculate recall
recall = recall_score(y_test, y_pred)
# Calculate F1-score
f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred)
# Print the evaluation metrics
print(f"Accuracy: {accuracy:.3f}")
print(f"Precision: {precision:.3f}")
print(f"Recall: {recall:.3f}")
print(f"F1-score: {f1:.3f}")
Accuracy: 0.753
Precision: 0.917
Recall: 0.753
F1-score: 0.827
```

The model shows good performance with 75.30% accuracy, indicating correct overall predictions. It has high precision (91.67%), meaning few false positives, but its recall (75.29%) suggests it misses some "DEFAULT" cases. The balanced F1-score of 0.8267 reflects strong performance.

```
# Define a range of hyperparameters to search
param_grid = {
    'penalty': ['l2'],
    'C': [0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100],
}

# Creates a grid search object
grid_search = GridSearchCV(LogisticRegression(solver='liblinear',
random_state=42), param_grid, cv=5, scoring='accuracy')

# Performs grid search on the resampled data
grid_search.fit(X_train_resample, y_train_resample)

# Gets the best hyperparameters from the grid search
```

```
best params = grid search.best_params_
print("Best Hyperparameters:", best params)
# Creates and trains the Logistic Regression model with the best
hyperparameters
best logistic model = LogisticRegression(solver='liblinear',
random state=42, **best params)
best logistic model.fit(X train resample, y train resample)
# Make predictions on the test data
y pred = best logistic model.predict(X test)
# Print the best parameters
print("Best Parameters:")
for key, value in best params.items():
    print(f"{key}: {value}")
# Print the best F1 score
best f1 score = round(grid search.best score , 3)
print("Best F1 Score:", best_f1_score)
Best Hyperparameters: {'C': 1, 'penalty': 'l2'}
Best Parameters:
C: 1
penalty: 12
Best F1 Score: 0.753
```

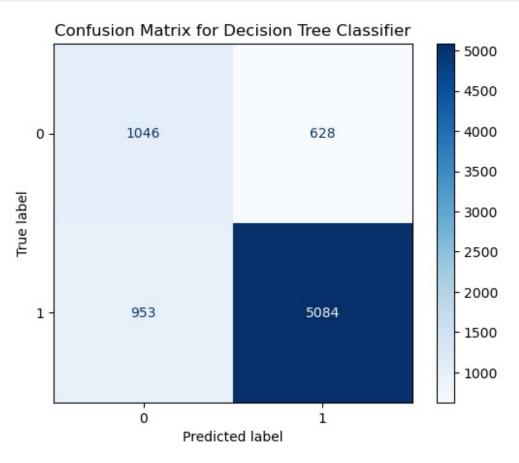
The hyperparameters C=1 and penalty='l2' yield the highest F1-score (0.753), balancing precision and recall. This means the model is more effective at classifying true positives while minimizing false positives and false negatives.

#### 4.3.2 Decision Tree Classifier

Decision tree classifier splits data into branches based on feature conditions, creating a tree-like structure to classify outcomes. It's intuitive, interpretable, and handles non-linear relationships well.

```
# mapping the modek
# intitate the clasifier
dt_clf = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=42)
#Fit model
dt_clf.fit(X_train_resample,y_train_resample)
#predict model
y_pred_dt = dt_clf.predict(X_test)
# Compute confusion matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_dt)
# Plot confusion matrix
disp = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm, display_labels=[0,
```

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1])
disp.plot(cmap=plt.cm.Blues)
plt.title("Confusion Matrix for Decision Tree Classifier")
plt.show()
```



```
# Evaluate the model
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_dt)
print(f'The Accuracy of the model is: {accuracy:.2f}')
The Accuracy of the model is: 0.79
class_report = classification_report(y_test, y_pred_dt)
print(f'Classification Report:\n{class report}')
Classification Report:
              precision
                           recall f1-score
                                               support
           0
                   0.52
                             0.62
                                        0.57
                                                  1674
           1
                   0.89
                             0.84
                                        0.87
                                                  6037
    accuracy
                                        0.79
                                                  7711
                   0.71
                             0.73
                                        0.72
                                                  7711
   macro avg
```

```
weighted avg
                   0.81
                             0.79
                                       0.80
                                                  7711
# Calculate accuracy
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred_dt)
# Calculate precision
precision = precision score(y test, y pred dt)
# Calculate recall
recall = recall_score(y_test, y_pred_dt)
# Calculate F1-score
f1 = f1 score(y test, y pred dt)
# Print the evaluation metrics
print(f"Accuracy: {accuracy:.3f}")
print(f"Precision: {precision:.3f}")
print(f"Recall: {recall:.3f}")
print(f"F1-score: {f1:.3f}")
Accuracy: 0.795
Precision: 0.890
Recall: 0.842
F1-score: 0.865
```

The model performs well with 79.6% accuracy, indicating a strong overall prediction rate. It has a precision of 89.1%, showing few false positives, while a recall of 84.2% suggests it effectively identifies most "DEFAULT" cases. The F1-score of 0.866 reflects balanced performance.

#### 4.3.2.1 Hyper-parameter Tuning For a Decision Tree Model

This involves performs hyperparameter tuning on a decision tree model using grid search with 5-fold cross-validation to optimize accuracy and using the best parameters to fine tune the decision tree model

```
# Define the model
dt2_model = DecisionTreeClassifier()

# Define the parameter grid to search through
param_grid = {
    'criterion': ['gini', 'entropy'],
    'max_depth': [2, 4, 6, 8, 10],
    'min_samples_split': [2, 4, 6, 8, 10],
    'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
}

# Create a grid search object using 5-fold cross-validation and F1
score as the scoring metric
grid_search = GridSearchCV(estimator=dt2_model, param_grid=param_grid,
cv=5, scoring='accuracy')

# Fit the grid search to the resampled training data
```

```
grid search.fit(X train resample, y train resample)
# Get the best parameters from the grid search
best params = grid search.best params
# Print the best parameters and the best F1 score
print("Best Parameters:", best_params)
print("Best F1 Score:", grid_search.best_score_)
Best Parameters: {'criterion': 'gini', 'max depth': 10,
'min samples leaf': 2, 'min samples split': 2}
Best F1 Score: 0.8136444602778768
dt2 fined = DecisionTreeClassifier(criterion='gini',
                                   \max depth=10,
                                   min samples leaf=2,
                                   min samples split=2)
# Fitting model
dt2 fined.fit(X train resample, y train resample)
# Making predictions on the test data
dt2 y pred = dt2 fined.predict(X test)
# Evaluating the model
dt2 f1 score = f1 score(y test, dt2 y pred)
dt2 acc score = accuracy score(y test, dt2 y pred)
dt2 prec score = precision score(y test, dt2 y pred)
dt2 rec score = recall score(y test, dt2 y pred)
# Printing the results
print(f"Accuracy: {dt2 acc score:.3f}")
print(f"Precision: {dt2 prec score:.3f}")
print(f"Recall: {dt2 rec score:.3f}")
print(f"F1 Score: {dt2 f1 score:.3f}")
Accuracy: 0.811
Precision: 0.908
Recall: 0.844
F1 Score: 0.875
```

The model has an accuracy of 81%, meaning it correctly predicts most cases. Precision is 90.7%, indicating it has a high rate of correctly predicting "DEFAULT" cases without many false positives. With a recall of 84.4%, it effectively identifies most true positives. The F1 score of 0.875 shows a good balance between precision and recall.

## 4.3.3 Random Forest Classifier

```
# Create and train the Random Forest model
rf_clf = RandomForestClassifier(random_state=42)
#fit on the training data
```

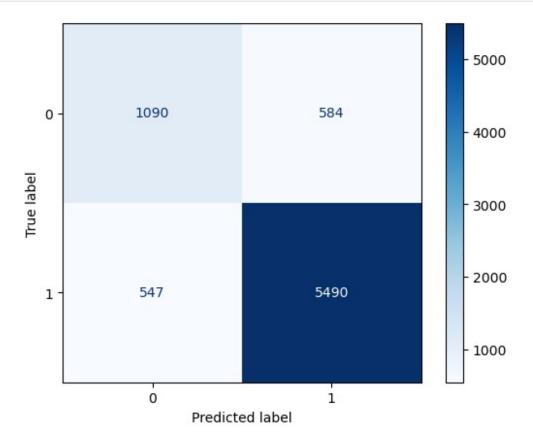
```
rf_clf.fit(X_train_resample, y_train_resample)

# Make predictions on the test data
y_pred_rf = rf_clf.predict(X_test)

cm_rf = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred_rf)

# Plot confusion matrix
disp = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=cm_rf,
display_labels=rf_clf.classes_)
disp.plot(cmap=plt.cm.Blues)

# Show the plot
plt.show()
```



```
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                   0.52
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           1
                   0.89
                              0.84
                                        0.87
                                                  6037
                                        0.79
                                                  7711
    accuracy
   macro avq
                   0.71
                              0.73
                                        0.72
                                                  7711
                              0.79
weighted avg
                   0.81
                                        0.80
                                                  7711
# Make predictions on the test data using the tuned model
y pred rf = rf clf.predict(X test)
# Calculate accuracy
accuracy = accuracy score(y test, y pred rf)
# Calculate precision
precision = precision score(y test, y pred rf)
# Calculate recall
recall = recall_score(y_test, y_pred_rf)
# Calculate F1-score
f1 = f1_score(y_test, y_pred_rf)
# Print the evaluation metrics
print(f"Accuracy: {accuracy:.3f}")
print(f"Precision: {precision:.3f}")
print(f"Recall: {recall:.3f}")
print(f"F1-score: {f1:.3f}")
Accuracy: 0.853
Precision: 0.904
Recall: 0.909
F1-score: 0.907
```

The model has an accuracy of 85.58%, indicating it correctly classifies most instances. Precision of 90.64% suggests that when predicting the positive class, it is highly accurate. Recall of 90.97% means it captures almost all true positives. The F1-score of 90.81% balances precision and recall well.

## 4.3.3.1 Hyper-parameter Tuning For a Random Forest Model

This involves performs hyperparameter tuning on a Random Forest model using grid search with 5-fold cross-validation to optimize accuracy and using the best parameters to fine tune the Random Forest model

```
# Define the parameter distributions
param_dist = {
    'n_estimators': np.arange(100, 300, 50),
    'max_depth': [5, 10, 15],
    'min_samples_split': [2, 5, 10],
    'min_samples_leaf': [1, 2, 4]
}
```

```
# Create a RandomizedSearchCV object with 5-fold cross-validation
random search = RandomizedSearchCV(rf clf,
param distributions=param dist, n iter=10, cv=5, scoring='f1',
n jobs=-1, random_state=42)
# Fit the model
random search.fit(X train resample, y train resample)
# Get the best parameters
best params_random = random_search.best_params_
best score random = random search.best score
# Print the results
print("Best Parameters from Randomized Search:")
for param, value in best params random.items():
    print(f"{param}: {value}")
print(f"Best Score: {best_score_random:.3f}")
Best Parameters from Randomized Search:
n estimators: 150
min samples split: 5
min_samples_leaf: 1
max_depth: 15
Best Score: 0.872
# Train the random forest classifier
rf2 = RandomForestClassifier(n estimators=150,
                             random state=42,
                             max depth=15,
                             min samples leaf=1,
                             min samples split=5)
rf2.fit(X train resample, y train resample)
# Make predictions on the test data
rf2 y pred = rf2.predict(X test)
# Evaluate the model's accuracy
rf2_f1_score = round(f1_score(y_test, rf2_y_pred), 3)
rf2_acc_score = round(accuracy_score(y_test, rf2_y_pred), 3)
rf2 prec score = round(precision score(y test, rf2 y pred), 3)
rf2 rec score = round(recall score(y test, rf2 y pred), 3)
# printing the scores
print(f'Accuracy: {rf2_acc_score}')
print(f'Precision: {rf2 prec score}')
print(f'Recall: {rf2_rec_score}')
print(f'F1 Score: {rf2 f1 score}')
Accuracy: 0.846
Precision: 0.918
```

Recall: 0.882 F1 Score: 0.9

The model has an accuracy of 84.5%, showing good overall performance. With a precision of 91.8%, it predicts the positive class accurately. The recall of 88.1% captures most true positives, and the F1 score of 89.9% indicates a good balance.

# 5 Model Comparison Analysis

# 5.1 Model analysis

#### 5.1.1 Logistic Regression

Accuracy: 0.753
 Precision: 0.917
 Recall: 0.753
 F1-score: 0.827

#### 5.1.2 Decision Tree

Accuracy: 0.810
 Precision: 0.907
 Recall: 0.844
 F1 Score: 0.875

#### 5.1.3 Random Forest

Accuracy: 0.845
 Precision: 0.918
 Recall: 0.881
 F1 Score: 0.899

# 5.2 Analysis Explanation:

#### 1. **Accuracy**:

- Random Forest has the highest accuracy (0.845), followed by Decision Tree (0.810), and Logistic Regression (0.753).
- This indicates that Random Forest is the most reliable model in terms of overall classification performance.

#### 2. **Precision**:

- Random Forest and Logistic Regression both have high precision (0.918 and 0.917 respectively).
- Precision reflects the model's ability to correctly predict positive cases. Both models perform almost equally well here.

#### 3. **Recall**:

 Random Forest outperforms the other models with a recall of 0.881, indicating it identifies the most true positives.  Decision Tree also performs well with a recall of 0.844, while Logistic Regression has a lower recall of 0.753.

#### 4. **F1 Score**:

- Random Forest leads with an F1 score of 0.899, followed by Decision Tree (0.875), and Logistic Regression (0.827).
- The F1 score represents a balance between precision and recall, and here,
   Random Forest maintains the best balance between both metrics.

## 5.3 Conclusion:

Based on the analysis, **Random Forest** emerges as the best model, with the highest accuracy, recall, and F1 score. It provides the best balance between identifying true positives and maintaining overall classification accuracy. Therefore, **Random Forest** would be the recommended model for this task.